

City Times

NEWSLETTER

HELLO,
NOVEMBER.



Month of Thanksgiving

Check out some of **WHAT'S NEXT** for us here at the City of Lawton:

- [Community Chili & Dessert Cookoff:](#)
11 a.m. – 1 p.m. 11/7/19 @City Hall
- [City Council Ward 3 Runoff Election:](#)
7 a.m. – 7 p.m. 11/12/19
 - [FIND YOUR WARD HERE](#)
 - [FIND YOUR POLLING PLACE HERE](#)
- [77th Army Band Veterans Day Concert:](#) 2 p.m. 11/10/19
@McMahon Memorial Auditorium
- [Imagination Station & various library events:](#) Throughout November
@Lawton Public Library

CITY BLOOD DRIVE, NOON – 4 P.M. 11/8/19
IN BANQUET HALL
CONTACT HR AT 580.581.3392 TO SIGN UP!

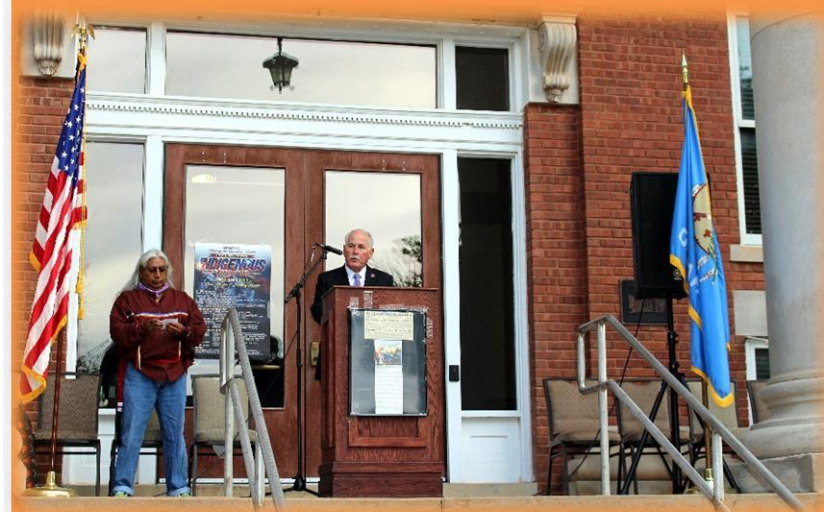


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Milestone Moment

*COL
celebrates
Indigenous
Peoples Day*



Mayor Booker offered opening remarks at the Indigenous Peoples Day celebration on October 14, 2019.

The history of Indigenous People Day first began in 1977. Since then, a growing movement to recognize the history and true origins of America has taken flight. The City of Lawton is proud to have been a part of that, as last year Lawton City Council voted to adopt and officially recognize this day throughout the community.

CONGRATULATIONS!

On your Years of Service!

More than 70 City employees celebrate YOS anniversaries in November 2019. View them all [by clicking here.](#)



**HAPPY, HAPPY
BIRTHDAY TO YOU!**

CORRECTION

Issue 17 of The City Times misprinted the name of an employee in the Years of Service section, identifying Bunky Norwood as Bunky Sanders. We apologize for the error.

November Employee Birthdays:

Matthew Klinekole	Thomas Baldwin	James Payne
Matthew Leon	Monty Pack	Roy Rodrick
Billy Peterson	Laban Chappell	Billy Hicks
Nathaniel Kroboth	James Bearbow	Louis Hertzog
Charles Simmons Jr.	William Maxson	Jeffrey Hall
Kathy Sheppard	Daniel Breaden	Jacob Smith
Timothy Wright	James McCurley	Xavier Evans
Jonathan Serrano	Arthur Griffin	Tiffany Vrska
Brandon Perdieu	Clint Robinson	Charles Smith
Michell Rosario	Lawrence Richards	Alice Sanavia
Gabriel Arellano	Cameron Paterson	Mark Floyd
Christopher Kinsey	Donald Pauley	Shelly Brown
Nicholas Peterpaul	Justin Williams	Kristin Herr
Barbara Evans	Tanner Josey	Drew Young
Donald Cox	David Kamont	Paul Martin
David Schucker II	Donald Beaty	Drue Watkins
James Breedlove	Donald Dowdy	Sabine Reyna
Kenard Martin	Derrick Kuhlman	Julie Magness
Mitchell Brittain	Kenneth Sparks	John Mullins
Gregory McClain	Jordan Gudger	Bryan Bowles
Williams Medders	William Baxter	Marisa Bolin
Richard Wallace Jr.	James Churchwell	Judy Dawdy
Kevin Stainbrook	Gwen Spencer	Dana Wilson
William Alexander	Eddie Atkinson	Kody Kastner
Jackson McKeown	Tolbert Robeson	Bryan Spencer
Darrel Burton		
Donalynn Blazek Scherler		



***YOUR DONATIONS
CHANGE LIVES!***

***\$2 pays for
1 HOT MEAL FOR A SENIOR
CITIZEN
(Center for Creative Living)***

***\$5 pays for
1 DAY OF UTILITIES FOR A
HOMELESS SHELTER
(C. Carter Crane Shelter Program)***

***\$10 pays for
1 MONTH OF MEDICATION
FOR THE UNINSURED
(Hearts that Care Clinic)***

***\$15 pays for
1 BOX FAN FOR FAMILY
(Salvation Army Social Services)***

Learn more at uwswok.org

WELCOME TO OUR TEAM!

New City Hires

Kenneth Dunn, Drainage Maintenance
William Parker, Solid Waste Collection
Alisha Kyle, Finance
Benny Daukei, Police Corrections
Antonio Chavez-Chaves, Drainage Maintenance
Jordan Teeter, Building Maintenance
Jennifer Johnson, Emergency Communications
Dylan Andres, Firefighter
Stiven Jimenez, Firefighter
Nicholas Jones, Firefighter
Wyatt Johnson, Firefighter
Joved Serrano, Firefighter
Christopher Smotherman, Firefighter
Nathaniel Bruns, Streets
Johnathan Reese, Wastewater Maintenance
James Cunningham, Sewer Construction
Wellington Kendall, Wastewater Collection
Bailey Spencer, Firefighter
Kara Haynes, Finance
Chayton Humble, Firefighter
Charles Kiles, Wastewater Treatment Plant

Pride of the Southwest



CONGRATS to the first graduating class of the City of Lawton Citizens Academy!

These individuals completed 14 weeks worth of municipal government education with City officials! They learned about our major departments and divisions, got to put some names to faces and toured several of our facilities. This free, interactive program was designed to show taxpayers exactly where their dollars go and offer some insight on the inner-workings of local government! Citizens took part in a graduation ceremony Oct. 14 at City Hall.

[View news coverage of the event here.](#)

Pictured, from left, front row: Tiffany Martinez Vrska, academy coordinator; Sieglinde Elliott, Cynthia Usher, Elizabeth Knighton, Matt McClure, Roger Cannon, Allan Hampton, Eloise Shertle; from left, back row: Terry Dixon, Debra Johnson, Denise Flusche, Ron Thomason, Daniel Pae, Travis Estep, academy co-coordinator; Angela Hampton, Analiza Taylor, Micheal Trice.



Craig Akard, Human Resources, leads a “City of Lawton Careers” course during the LPS Senior Conference on Oct. 15. Police, Fire and Community Relations also provided support and education for the 800 local students who attended this event.

[View Coverage Here](#)

Photo courtesy, LPS



LEFT: Governor Kevin Stitt visited Lawton City Hall to address community members during his Top 10 Cabinet Tour on Oct. 24.

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Photo courtesy, Gov. Stitt Team

RIGHT: Summer Hurleyjacks of CCMH, left, shares information with Margaret Tiddark, Neighborhood Services at the COL Health Fair.



In the News



ABOVE: Firefighter Sonny Puletasi holds and embraces three-month-old Christiano Hamner, son of Maribel Hamner, at LFD Station 7. Maribel suffered a seizure this summer and fell in her tub at 32 weeks pregnant. Puletasi was part of the emergency response team to save the mother and child. They formally met Oct. 11.

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